

**STEWART MAREERE**  
**Senior Town and Regional Planner**



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### **PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY**

Registered Professional Regional and Urban Planner with more than ten (10) years of experience in planning/community development, urban management and environmental planning regulations, resources and modern practices and principles of city/urban planning in Zimbabwe, Namibia and South Africa. Proven track record in spearheading the preparation and submission of 300+ land use applications. Adept at orchestrating collaborative efforts with specialized consultants and representing the company in pivotal meetings. Expertise in comprehensive urban planning, successful project execution, and a 100% success rate in appeals. In addition, I am a highly motivated and successful property practitioner with more than five (5) years of experience in market analysis, negotiations, preparing legal contracts and networking with industry professionals.

### **Core Competences and Skills**

• AutoCAD, GIS & Sketch-up	• Critical Thinking and Problem Solving	• Strategic Planning
• Stakeholder Management	• Dedicated Team Player	• Project management
• Time Management	• Adaptability	• Ability to work under pressure
• Negotiation skills	• Marketing and Networking	• Real Estate knowledge
• Urban Management	• Urban Design	• Spatial Planning

### **Major Achievements**

- Implemented a dynamic Project Management Schedule (PMS) to actively monitor and track town planning projects, swiftly identifying and resolving delays, thereby significantly improving project efficiency and enhancing client satisfaction.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**City Dynamics Planners (Pty) Ltd (South Africa)** 03/2025 – Present  
**Professional Urban & Regional Planner (Independent Contractor)**

- Preparation and submission of land use applications and planning permission inquiries
- Preparation of master plans and planning strategies
- Preparation of township layouts and other town planning maps (Auto CAD & GIS)
- Providing strategic town planning advise to land owners/developers
- Conducting research, surveys and assessing technical information
- Undertaking site visits and carry out feasibility studies of potential sites
- Liaising and co-ordination with engineers, architects, and land surveyors, fostering a synergistic working environment
- Marketing and business development
- Project management of planning applications

**Urban Devco cc (South Africa)** 02/2019 – 01/2024  
**Practice Manager and Professional Planner**

- Commenced work on part-time basis, during my Master's studies;
- Elevated from assistant town planner to senior town planner and subsequently to practice manager within an impressive 2-year timeframe.
- Spearheaded the preparation and submission of over 200 land use applications and planning permission inquiries in a swift 2-year span, showcasing exceptional efficiency.
- Drove success and enhanced operational efficiency as a practice manager, ensuring seamless submission and approval processes for applications.
- Orchestrated collaborative efforts with specialized consultants such as engineers, architects, and land surveyors, fostering a synergistic working environment.
- Proactively represented the company in crucial meetings with clients and project team members, fortifying relationships and contributing to overall company success.

**Pam Golding Properties (South Africa)** 06/2020 – Current  
**Senior Property Practitioner (Part time)**

- Managing client relationship with clients (sellers, buyers and tenants);
- Develop marketing strategies to promote listings;

- Prepare and review of contracts/agreements;
- Negotiate contracts/agreements with buyers and sellers;
- Market analysis and research
- Coordinate property inspections, evaluations and appraisals.

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**Ritta Khiba Planning Consultants (Windhoek, Namibia)**

06/2015 – 12/2017

**Assistant Town Planner**

- Crafted and submitted over 85 land use applications with precision and timeliness within a dynamic 2-year timeframe.
- Formulated township layouts and master plans encompassing over 20,000 residential stands, showcasing a keen eye for comprehensive urban planning.
- Acted as the company's representative in pivotal meetings with clients and project team members, ensuring effective communication and collaboration.
- Demonstrated effective leadership by managing junior staff, fostering a high-performing team, overseeing application processes, and leading weekly feedback meetings to address project challenges.
- Executed thorough feasibility studies and meticulously prepared due diligence reports, contributing valuable insights to informed decision-making processes.
- Achieved a commendable 100% success rate in appeals, attesting to a robust and effective approach to addressing challenges and securing favorable outcomes.
- Assisted in the preparation of Keetmanshoop Urban Structure Plan (a strategic document that outlines the future growth plans of Keetmanshoop Town Council in a way that is more inclusive, efficient, and sustainable).

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**Homelux Real Estate (Harare, Zimbabwe)**

10/2014 – 05/2015

**Graduate Trainee: Property Development**

- Executed over 20 property valuations and inspections, providing comprehensive insights into market values.
- Facilitated the successful sale of more than 10 properties, showcasing a proven track record in real estate transactions.
- Negotiated and finalized 30 lease agreements with pre-approved tenants, ensuring seamless and secure rental arrangements.
- Compiled detailed monthly property reports, offering valuable information and analysis for informed decision-making.
- Skillfully prepared and submitted land development applications, navigating regulatory processes with precision and efficiency.

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**Chegutu City Council (Chegutu, Zimbabwe)**

07/2013 – 09/2014

**Junior Town Planner**

- Designed the Umvovo Phase IV master plan, featuring over 3000 residential stands, demonstrating expertise in comprehensive urban planning.
- Efficiently processed over 25 land development applications in collaboration with the Chief Town Planner, ensuring adherence to regulatory requirements.
- Prepared and presented compelling town planning reports and motivations for Umvovo Phase IV, securing approvals from the Department of Physical Planning.
- Actively engaged with the Department of Physical Planning and Local Government, facilitating Ministerial approvals and maintaining a smooth regulatory process.
- Participated in consultative meetings with residents, land developers, and various Council departments, providing valuable Town Planning advice and fostering collaborative decision-making.
- Played a key role in Forward Planning and Development Control, contributing to the strategic vision and effective management of future development initiatives.

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**EDUCATION**

- Masters of Urban Studies in the field of Urban Management, University of Witwatersrand, 2020.
- Bachelor of Science Honors in Rural and Urban Planning, University of Zimbabwe, 2013.

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**TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- Introduction to Design Computing, University of Cape Town, 2018.
- Introduction to Spatial Design, University of Cape Town, 2018.
- National Certificate: Real Estate Level 5, Services Sector Education and Training Authority, 2023
- FETC Real Estate Level 4, Services Sector Education and Training Authority, 2022.

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATION**

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- Registered member: The Irish Planning Institute (IPI)
- Professional Planner: The South African Council for Planners (SACPLAN);
- Full Estate Agent: Property Practitioners Regulatory Authority (PPRA)

## **AWARDS**

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- Awarded the prestigious Wits TUB Urban Lab Masters Scholarship to pursue post-graduate study at the University of the Witwatersrand in South Africa (DAAD).

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15 December 2025

**Stewart Mareere**